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RESOLUTION TOUCH SENSITIVE DISPLAY, the whole contents and disclosure of which is incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein, in order to render the mouse useless for anyone other than the owner.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please amend Claims 1, 10, 16, 20, 22 and 26 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A personal smart pointer device capable of interfacing with a computer device for enabling a user to interface with an application executing on said computer device, said pointer device comprising:

- a memory storage device for enabling storage of personalized user preferences relating to user customized aspects of said application executing on a first computer device;
- a control mechanism for controlling transfer of said personalized user preferences from said first computer device to said memory storage device for storage therein when said pointer device is interfaced with said first computer device; and,
- a mechanism in a visited second computer device for detecting an interfacing of said personal smart pointer device therewith, and in response to entering a same user application executing on said second computing device, said control mechanism further initiating transfer of said personalized user preferences from said memory storage device to said same application for altering said user application in accordance with said user customized aspects, wherein said pointer device is transportable for transferring user customized aspects of many

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user applications of first computer devices to subsequent personalized use of same applications executing on said second computer devices.

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10. (Amended) The personal smart pointer device as claimed in Claim 1, further comprising a touch-sensitive panel interface responsive to user entry comprising one or more graffiti characters each representing an application to be launched in said personal pointer device.

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16. (Amended) A method for customizing software applications in computing devices via a mouse device, said method comprising:

- a) receiving personalized data relating to customized aspects of a user application capable of executing in a first computing device;
- b) storing said personalized data in a memory storage device provided in said mouse device;
- c) subsequently transferring said stored personalized data to a like user application capable of executing in a second computing device; and,
- d) altering said like user application executing in said second computing device in accordance with said customized aspects, wherein said mouse device is transportable for transferring user customized aspects of many user applications of first computing devices to facilitate use of like applications in said second computing devices.

Q-10 Sub C3 20. (Amended) The method as claimed in Claim 16, wherein a first and second computing device comprises one of: a personal computer, a personal digital assistant, a cellular phone, and a network device.

Q-11 Sub B3 C3 22. (Amended) A program storage device readable by a machine, tangibly embodying a program of instructions executable by the machine to perform method steps for customizing software applications executing in computing devices, said method steps including the steps of:

- a) receiving personalized data relating to customized aspects of a user application capable of executing in a first computing device;
- b) storing said personalized data in a memory storage device provided in said mouse device;
- c) subsequently transferring said stored personalized data to a like user application capable of executing in a second computing device; and,
- d) altering said like user application executing in said second computing device in accordance with said customized aspects, wherein said mouse device is transportable for transferring user customized aspects of many user applications of first computing devices to facilitate use of like applications on said second computing devices.

Q-12 Sub B3 26. (Amended) The program storage device readable by a machine as claimed in Claim 22, wherein a first and second computing device comprises one of: a personal computer, a personal digital assistant, a cellular phone, and a network device.